ശ്രീ. ഇട്ടിര അയ്യക്കൻ: പെരിങ്ങൽക്കുത്തു പദ്ധതിയുടെ പണി തുടങ്ങിച്ചപ്പോൾ എത്രകൊല്ലംകൊണ്ടു അതു പൂർത്തിയാക്കാമെന്നാണുദ്ദേശിച്ചിരുന്നതു?

ശ്രീ. ടി. കെ. നാരായണപിള്ള: കഴിയുന്നതുംവേഗം പൂർത്തിയാക്കാമെന്നു വിചാരിച്ചിരുന്നു. അതിലേക്കാവശ്യമായ മെഷ്യനറിയും മറ്റും എത്തിച്ചേരുന്നതിനു താമസം നേരിട്ടതുകൊണ്ടു ഉദ്ദേശിച്ചതിൽ കൂടുതൽ താമസം നേരിടുകയാണുണ്ടായതു.

ശ്രീ. പി. എം. വർഗ്ഗീസ്: ഇടുക്കിപദ്ധതിയുടെ കാര്യം ഇവിടെ പറഞ്ഞില്ലല്ലോ?

ശ്രീ. ടി. കെ. നാരായണപിള്ള: അതേപ്പറ്റി പോദിച്ചിട്ടില്ല.

ശ്രീ. ഇട്ടിര അയ്യക്കൻ: പെരിങ്ങൽക്കുത്തു പദ്ധതിയുടെ പണി തുടങ്ങിച്ചപ്പോൾ അതിന്റെ എൻജിനീയറന്മാർ ഈ പണി എന്നു പൂർത്തിയാകുമെന്നാണു പറഞ്ഞതു?

ശ്രീ. ടി. കെ. നാരായണപിള്ള: അതേപ്പറ്റി എനിക്കു ഇപ്പോൾ പറയാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല.

DREDGERS

*651. [28] **Sri. Eapen Arackal:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

(*a*) the maximum and minimum hire charges per diem at which the Government owned dredgers used to be lent out to private persons;

(*b*) have these hire charges been raised of late; if so what is the maximum hire charge at present;

(*c*) when and why were these hire charges raised; and

(*d*) how many hours a day are these dredgers scheduled to work?

Minister for Education, Labour and Civil Supplies **(Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai):**

(*a*) The previous rates for bigger size dredgers, were Rs. 300 and those for smaller-size dredgers, Rs. 275 per diem.

(*b*) Yes; No change in rate if used for grow more food works. Rs. 430 per diem for smaller-size dredgers and Rs. 490 per diem for bigger-size dredgers if used for other private purposes.

(*c*) The hire charges were raised from November 1950 with reference to the capital cost of the dredgers and their maintenance costs.

(*d*) 8 hours a day.

Sri. Eapen Arackal: On what grounds were these hire charges raised?

Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai: The hire charges were raised from November 1950, *with referrence to the capital cost of the dredgers and their maintenance cost.*

BUILDINGS TAKEN ON RENT

*652. [29] **Sri. Eapen Arackal:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Public Works and Communications be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of places where the Government have taken sheds and buildings on rent for the use of Transport Department;

(*b*) who fixes the rent of such sheds and buildings taken on rent by the Government; and

(*c*) is there any case in which private parties have constructed and handed over to the Government buildings or sheds on the requisition of the Transport Department and on the undertaking by the department that a particular rent would be paid?

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Minister for Education, Labour and Civil Supplies **(Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai):**

(*a*) 14.

(*b*) Ordinarily the rent is fixed on the advice of the Chief Engineer, Public Works Department. In certain cases, the Director of Transport fixes the rent subject to ratification by the Transport Board.

(*c*) At Chengannur and Poovar, parties have constructed buildings. The rent was fixed on the advice of the Public Works Department in these cases.

Sri. Eapen Arackal: Do the Government know that there are complaints from these parties at Chengannur and Poovar that the rent has been fixed by the Director but that subsequently it has been reversed by the Government?

Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai: I am not aware of any such complaints.

Sri. Eapen Arackal: May I know whether the party is correct in proceeding on the assumption that the rent fixed by the Director would be paid to him?

Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai: That is for him to decide; not for the Government.

Sri. Eapen Arackal: Is the Transport Director competent to enter into an agreement with respect to the rent?

Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai: The question does not arise. I have already stated that the rent is ordinarily fixed by the Chief Engineer.

OVERLOADING

***653.** [30] **Sri. Eapen Arackal:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Communications be pleased to state whether it is true that overloading has been absolutely forbidden in the Alleppey-Aroor route while in the other lines from Alleppey the authorities are not so much insisting on against overloading?

Minister for Education, Labour and Civil Supplies **(Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai):** Overloading is forbidden in all the lines, and special attention is paid to routes from where heavy overloading is reported.

EXTENSION OF MANJANAKAD ROAD, NARAKKAL

***654.** [31] **Sri. M. I. Paul:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Public Works ann Communications be pleased to state whether the Government have taken any actio to extend the Manjanakad road at Narakkal to meet the Vypeen-Pallippuram road if so what action?

Minister for Education, Labour and Civil Supplies **(Sri. T. K. Narayana Pillai):**

No action is being taken to extend the Manjanakad road, as the Taluk Works Committee did not approve the work.

ശ്രീ. എം. ഐ. പാൗം: ഇനി മേലാലെങ്കിലും ശവമെണ്ണ അക്കാര്യത്തിൽ ശ്രമവയ്ക്കുമോ?

ശ്രീ. ടി. കെ. നാരായണപിള്ള: ശ്രമിക്കാം.

എറണാകുളത്തെ ൭ ൦ അടി റോഡ്

*൩൫൫. (൯൨) ശ്രീ. എ. എൽ. ജേക്കബ്: താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യത്തിന്ന് ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട മരാമത്തുവകുപ്പുമന്ത്രി സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

എറണാകുളത്തുള്ള ൭ ൦ അടി റോഡ് സഞ്ചാരയോഗ്യമാക്കിത്തീർക്കുവാൻ എന്തെങ്കിലും നടപടി ഉടനെ കൈക്കൊള്ളുവാൻ ശവമെണ്ണ ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നുണ്ടോ?

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